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 REDUCING NUMBER OF MESSAGES PROCESSED BY CONTROL PROCESSOR  
 For: BY BUNDLING CONTROL AND DATA MESSAGES AND OFFLOADING THE  
 TCP CONNECTION SETUP AND TERMINATION MESSAGES  
 ASSIGNEE NAME: International Business Machines Corporation  
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*Enclosed are*

- 28 pages of specification, including 19 claims, plus 5 sheets of **FORMAL** drawings.  
 An assignment of the invention to International Business Machines Corporation, Armonk, New York 10504.  
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